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No Further Accelerated Action (NFAA) Justification for Ash Pits PAC Reference Number(s) SW-133 1, SW-133 2, SW-133 4 and 1702 (dated June 11, 2003), NFAA Justification for Trench T-7 PAC Reference Number NE 111 4 (dated May 21, 2003, NFAA Justification Trenches T-3 and T-4 PAC Reference Number 111 1 (dated May 21, 2003)

Dear Mr DiSalvo

The Environmental Protection Agency has reviewed the documents referenced above and agree that the residual contamination at the Ash Pits, and Trenches T-3, T-4 and T-7 does not pose a significant threat to human health given that Rocky Flats will become a wildlife refuge at the completion of the cleanup, and that a wildlife refuge worker would be the individual with the highest potential for exposure to contaminants EPA therefore agrees that no further accelerated action is necessary at the Ash Pits, and Trenches T-3, T-4 and T-7 to protect human health

However, considerable work still needs to be conducted to determine whether residual contamination at Rocky Flats poses a significant ecological risk. Until that work is complete, EPA cannot assert that NFAA determinations for the Ash Pits, and Trenches T-3, T-4 and T-7 are protective of both human health and the environment. EPA looks forward to working with DOE and its contractor on the ecological portion of the Comprehensive Risk Assessment that is currently underway.

Furthermore, since the Ashpits, and Trenches T-3, T-4 and T-7 contain contamination at levels that would not allow for unrestricted use, a comprehensive, enforceable plan for long-term stewardship of these areas is critical to assure that the remedy for Rocky Flats continues to be protective EPA, again, looks forward to working with the DOE and the State of Colorado in developing such a plan and putting the necessary agreements into place

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